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cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Baumgardner
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SAC, Atlanta

December 13, 1956

Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

CITIZENS COUNCILS
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Although reports have been submitted to the Department on all citizens councils concerning which we have conducted investigations and inquiries to date, the Department has indicated the activities of these organizations do not fall within the purview of Executive Order 10450. In view of this fact, there is no basis upon which to base justification for further inquiry. Therefore, you are instructed to immediately discontinue inquiries concerning all citizens councils upon receipt of this letter. It is your responsibility to also immediately notify auxiliary offices of the discontinuance of the investigation.

In order that the Bureau may continue to carry out its responsibilities of keeping interested Government agencies informed of information of interest to them, you must continue your efforts to keep abreast of developments in order that the Bureau may be apprised of any situation which indicates a potential for violence. In obtaining information, however, absolutely no inquiries are to be made by you. You must secure the desired information through close scrutiny of the public press plus whatever information may be volunteered to you.

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NOTE ON YELLOW: See memo Belmont to Boardman, 12-13-56, FJB:CFW:gft, same caption.

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With respect to the use of confidential informants, I want it clearly understood that no informant is to be given any assignment in connection with obtaining information regarding the activities of citizens councils without prior Bureau authority. If you have a confidential informant already reporting on citizens councils matters you may continue to accept information volunteered by the informant but you must not give him any additional assignments in this field. If you feel it is necessary for some specific reason to continue an informant in a particular citizens council you must immediately advise the Bureau, together with the identity of the informant, his reliability and your assurance that continued operation of the informant will not result in any embarrassment to the Bureau.

Each office receiving copies of this letter must submit to the Bureau a monthly summary of information concerning the activities of citizens councils in your respective territories. The first such letter is to be submitted to reach the Bureau by January 15, 1957, and each succeeding letter must be submitted to reach the Bureau by the fifteenth of each month. This summary, which shall consist of an original and seven copies, must be submitted in memorandum form suitable for dissemination and forwarded to the Bureau by cover letter. These summary memoranda and your cover letter must bear the caption "Citizens Councils, (name of field office)". Each of these summary memoranda must also be dated.

As in the past, information received concerning citizens councils which requires expeditious handling must not be delayed for inclusion in the monthly summary but must be furnished to the Bureau promptly by whatever means of communication is required by the nature of the information.

This matter must receive your personal attention and it is your responsibility, insofar as is possible, to see to it that the Bureau will continue to be in a position to furnish pertinent information concerning potential violence to interested Government agencies.

With respect to the administrative handling of current cases, you should submit a closing report within 30 days from the date of this letter. This report should incorporate any information which has been obtained to date not previously reported. If there is very little information to be reported, you may at your discretion submit a closing letter. On the administrative page of the closing report or in the closing letter make reference to this letter in order that the administrative handling at the Seat of Government may be facilitated.

The fact that we are discontinuing our inquiries concerning citizens councils is not to be discussed or made known in any manner to anyone outside your own office. This includes your confidential informants.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 1/14/57

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (105-512)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
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ReBulet dated 12/13/56.

Enclosed is a summary of information not previously reported under States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA, IS-X, BUFILE 105-37158, as requested in reBulet.

Inasmuch as a closing initial report is being prepared, in the Gentile Citizens Council, IS-X, Atlanta file 105-512, no summary is being submitted at this time.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
January 14, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS
ATLANTA DIVISION

Re report of SA [redacted] dated November 27, 1956, Atlanta, Georgia, case entitled States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA, Internal Security - X.

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No information has come to the attention of this office concerning activity on the part of this organization since referenced report except that the "Winder, Georgia News", a newspaper published in Winder, Georgia, in its edition of January 2, 1957, stated that approximately one thousand Georgians attended the recent twenty-five dollar a plate dinner held in Atlanta, Georgia, for the purpose of building up the treasury of the States Rights Council of Georgia. According to this article, the principal speaker was Fifth District Georgia Congressman, James C. Davis.

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SAC, ATLANTA (105-34237 Sub 2) January 30, 1957

DIRECTOR, FBI

CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Re Bulet dated December 13, 1956, in which you were instructed to submit monthly a summary of information obtained through sources of your office and public source material concerning activities of citizens councils.

In order to facilitate the administrative handling of this material at the Bureau the field offices listed below are instructed to submit this material showing the Bureau file number indicated for each office.

In addition, it is desired, that where a specific citizens council is mentioned in the memorandum and your office is aware that the Bureau has a file on that citizens council, that you prepare an extra copy of your memorandum for the Bureau file on that citizens council. In the cover memorandum you should state that an extra copy is being submitted for the Bureau's file on the citizens council or councils mentioned in your memorandum and you should furnish the Bureau file numbers for those councils if available to your office. This will eliminate searching these names at the Seat of Government.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237 Sub 2) DATE: 2/12/57

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS,
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ReBulets 12/13/56 and 1/30/57, and Atlanta letter 1/14/57.

Enclosed is a summary of information obtained since 1/14/57, concerning States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA, IS-X, Bufile 105-37158, and Gentile Citizens Council, Bufile 105-54933.

It will be noted that two extra copies are enclosed for the files maintained by the Bureau on the two organizations mentioned in the body of this letter.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
February 11, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS,
ATLANTA DIVISION

Re Atlanta letter dated January 14, 1957, concerning States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., Aka, and Gentile Citizens Council.

No information has come to the attention of this office concerning activity on the part of the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., or the Gentile Citizens Council since referenced letter was submitted.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237 Sub 2)(RM) DATE: 3/5/57

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS,
ATLANTA DIVISION
IS - X

ReBulets 12/13/56 and 1/30/57, and Atlanta letter 2/11/57.

Enclosed is a summary of information obtained since 2/11/57, concerning States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA, IS-X, Bufile 105-37158, and Gentile Citizens Council, Bufile 105-54933.

It will be noted that two extra copies are enclosed for the files maintained by the Bureau on the two organizations mentioned in the body of this letter.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
March 5, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS,
ATLANTA DIVISION

Re Atlanta letter dated February 11, 1957, concerning States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA, and Gentile Citizens Council.

No information has come to the attention of this office concerning activity on the part of these two organizations since referenced letter was submitted.

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cc Mr. Boardman
cc Mr. Belmont
cc Mr. Rosen
cc Mr. McGowan
cc Mr. Williams

SAC, Atlanta

April 2, 1957

Director, FBI (105-34237)

CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

ReBulet dated December 13, 1956.

At the time the field was instructed to discontinue inquiries concerning citizens councils the Department was requested to advise whether or not additional inquiries should be conducted relative to the White Citizens' Councils of District of Columbia, also known as Seaboard White Citizens' Councils, inasmuch as the Department had previously requested that inquiries concerning that organization be made.

The Department has now advised that no further investigation of the Seaboard White Citizens' Councils or similar organizations should be conducted with a view toward having such organizations listed under the provisions of Executive Order 10450.

It was requested, however, that the Department be advised of all information which comes to the attention of the Bureau concerning such activities of these organizations as may involve possible deprivations of Constitutional rights.

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SAC, Atlanta

Re: Citizens Councils
105-34237

Upon receipt information concerning such activities will be reviewed by the Department for the purpose of determining whether violations of Title 18, U. S. Code, Sections 241 or 242 (Civil Rights) are involved.

With regard to the above, you should remain alert for information regarding the activity of citizens councils which might involve violations of Federal statutes within the jurisdiction of this Bureau. Any such information received should, of course, be handled in accordance with the existing instructions pertaining to the specific violation indicated.

cc Mr. Williams

SAC, Atlanta (105-309) April 16, 1957

Director, FBI (105-34237-2)

CITIZENS COUNCILS
ATLANTA DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Reurlet dated April 12, 1957, in which you advised that unless advised to the contrary negative monthly summary memoranda will be discontinued.

Although your office receives no information concerning the activities of citizens councils it is desired that a memorandum be submitted each month This will enable the Bureau to follow this matter and to insure that all pertinent information is being received.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

There are approximately 20 offices which are required to submit a memorandum each month concerning activities of citizens councils. It is believed advisable to have the field continue to submit these even though no information is received. In this way the field will remain alert for such information.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237 Sub 2)(RM) DATE: 4/12/57

FROM: SAC, Atlanta (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS,
ATLANTA DIVISION
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Rebulets 12/13/56 and 1/30/57, and mylets 2/20/57 and 3/5/57.

Enclosed is a summary of information obtained since remylets concerning the following organizations:

1 - The National Association for the Advancement and Protection of the Majority of the White People, Inc., IS-X, Bufile 105-31459.

2 - States' Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA, IS-X, Bufile 105-37158.

3 - Gentile Citizens Council, IS-X, Bufile 105-54933.

It will be noted that three extra copies are enclosed for the files maintained by the Bureau on the three organizations mentioned in the body of this letter.

In view of the apparent lack of activity on the part of these organizations, UACB negative monthly summary memos will be discontinued. However, should there be activity, this information will be included in such summary.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
April 12, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS
ATLANTA DIVISION

Re Atlanta letter dated March 5, 1957, concerning States' Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA; Gentile Citizens Council, IS-X, and Atlanta letter dated February 20, 1957, regarding The National Association for the Advancement and Protection of the Majority of the White People, Inc., IS-X.

No information has come to the attention of this office concerning activity on the part of these two organizations since referenced letters were submitted.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237 Sub 2) (RM) DATE: 5/9/57

FROM: SAC, Atlanta (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS,
ATLANTA DIVISION
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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
May 9, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS
ATLANTA DIVISION

Re Atlanta letter dated April 12, 1957, concerning States' Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., AKA; Gentile Citizens Council, IS-X, and the National Association for the Advancement and Protection of the Majority of the White People, Inc.

No information has come to the attention of this office concerning activity on the part of these organizations since referenced letter.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237 Sub 2) (RM) DATE: 6/6/57

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (105-309)

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
ATLANTA DIVISION
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2. States' Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., Aka, IS - X, Bufile (105-37158).

3. Gentile Citizens Council, IS - X, Bufile (105-54933).

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
June 6, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS
ATLANTA DIVISION

Re Atlanta letter dated May 9, 1957, concerning States' Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., Aka; Gentile Citizens Council, IS - X, and the National Association for the Advancement and Protection of the Majority of the White People, Inc.

No information has come to the attention of this office concerning activity on the part of these organizations since referenced letter.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 10/24/57

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
IS - X

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Re Bureau letter dated 10/9/57.

As the Bureau is aware the only Citizens Council type of organization now active in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., Aka. Georgia States Rights Association; IS - X, Bufile 105-37158, Atlanta file 105-309. As the Bureau is further aware, the States Rights Council of Georgia is headed by the top political figures of the State, is a pro-segregation group but nothing has come to the attention of this office which would indicate the organization advocates violence.

Prior to December13, 1956, this office followed the States Rights Council of Georgia through the various local newspapers and public sources.

UACB, it is anticipated that one, or possibly two, Klan informants will join the States Rights Council of Georgia in order that they may be placed on the mailing list for literature which may be of value to the Bureau.

It might be noted that as far as is known, meetings of the States Rights Council of Georgia are open to the public.

It is believed through these informants and following the activity of the group through the newspapers and other public sources, the information desired by the Bureau can be obtained.

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SAC, Atlanta

November 13, 1957

Director, FBI (105-34237)

CITIZENS COUNCILS
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ReBulet October 9, 1957.

The Bureau does not desire that reports be submitted on citizens councils except in those cases where you are specifically instructed to do so. As a general rule information obtained concerning activities of these organizations should be furnished in memorandum form suitable for dissemination. Submit original and eight copies. More expeditious means of communication should be utilized where warranted.

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Georgia 'Transplanting' Movement

Much is being said and written about a plan in Georgia to move Negro families into Northern areas.

The idea seems to be to select certain Negro families willing to have an expense-paid move and to transport them to well-to-do Northern neighborhoods, apparently in an effort to show that white citizens in such areas would not welcome the Negroes.

As is known on the basis of case after case—long before Levittown, for example—whites in all-white neighborhoods in the North as elsewhere tend to resent Negro entry.

As any Northern realtor will tell you, a basic reason—though not necessarily the exclusive reason by any means—is that property values do drop when an all-white neighborhood is "cracked."

The Georgia reports strongly imply that a Negro family will be moved into an area where it will be close to some one of political prominence. Vice President Nixon has been named as a possible "candidate" for this invasion. There is, however, some uncertainty as to this.

What concerns us about this development is that it might boomerang. The Georgians wouldn't be proving anything that isn't already known. As a "neat trick," of course such an effort will get talked about, if it is carried through. Yankee papers are already making much over it. The organizers of the Georgia group include some of the idols of the extremists of our neighbor state. The source of the movement, therefore, is sure to be noted elsewhere, and we have a feeling that most reasonable Southerners would deplore the Georgia action being taken as having the support of all Southerners.

The Southern contention is plausible up North only when it is offered calmly, with logic and reason, and without the rather ridiculous theatrics of the sort being promoted in Georgia.

Reasonable Southerners who want to convince the North of the great difficulty the Supreme Court decision has occasioned will — and should — consider the harm the Georgia group's stunt may bring.

Citizens Council - Atlanta

File 105-34237-2

THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS
Birmingham, Alabama
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Georgia Group Vague On Resettlement Plan

ATLANTA, Nov. 1 (AP)—A member of a Georgia organization formed to resettle Negroes in exclusive Northern white neighborhoods says Vice President Richard M. Nixon may be the group's first target. But the founder of the group, American Resettlement Foundation, Inc., said any such report was entirely without foundation.

State Welfare Director Alan Kemper, a charter member of the foundation, was asked about the Nixon report yesterday. He replied: "I would say Nixon is a pretty good candidate." He declined, however, to be more specific.

State Representative A. A. Fowler, jr., of Douglassville, founder of the organization, told the Associated Press the report was "absolutely without foundation."

Mr. Kemper said a Negro family, preferably a large one, will be moved into a Northern white residential area by Christmas and that Mr. Fowler had obtained an option on a house in the $75,000 class in what he described as one of the outstanding cities in the United States.

Reports had located the house in the Wesley Heights area of Northwest Washington, where the Nixons live. Reached by telephone in Douglasville late last night, Mr. Fowler had this to say about the report:

"I haven't said anything about any house anywhere except to say we have an option on a house in a major American city into which we hope to move a worthy and qualified Negro family by Christmas."

Other Transactions

Mr. Fowler made a similar statement in an address Wednesday night at Augusta, Ga. Later, the Augusta Herald said it had learned from a source close to Fowler that the house is near the Nixon home.

Mr. Fowler said the foundation is negotiating several transactions in various cities, but he reiterated that he could not be more specific at this time.

"We have many volunteers helping up all over the country," he said. "They are helping locate and lease homes and to raise money. They feel, as I do, that it is time for the race question to stop being played with as a political football."

The foundation was formed by Mr. Fowler, Mr. Kemper and Roy Harris of Augusta. Mr. Harris recently was elected president of the Georgia States Rights Council, a group of segregationists. The foundation was granted a 35-year charter by Fulton County (Atlanta) Superior Court Judge Luther Alverson on October 11.

Contributions Solicited

Four days later, Mr. Fowler said, the first group of 5,000 letters was mailed out asking for contributions. He said the letters went mostly to Southerners, but also were sent to persons in the North, East and West who previously had expressed interest in the plan.

He said last night that "quite a bit of money has come in and more is coming in every day." But, he said, "I've been traveling so much I have no idea of the amount."

The purpose of the organization, according to the charter, is to "assist the underprivileged persons of the United States to obtain adequate housing facilities . . . so that such persons will have an opportunity to try to better their way of life and standard of living."

The foundation was described as a non-profit operation supported by public contributions.

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UP22
(RESETTLEMENT)
ATLANTA--AN ORGANIZATION FOR THE RESETTLEMENT OF SOUTHERN NEGROES IS MAKING "SEVERAL TRANSACTIONS" FOR PROPERTY IN FINE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE NORTH, ACCORDING TO ONE OF THE GROUP'S INCORPORATORS.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWED A REPORT YESTERDAY THAT THE AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION HAS TAKEN OPTION ONA $75,000 RESIDENCE NEAR THE HOME OF VICE PRESIDENT NIXON IN WASHINGTON AND PUT UP $3,000 AS A BINDER.

"THIS IS ONE OF SEVERAL TRANSACTIONS THAT IS GETTING NEAR THE OPTION STAGE," SAID GEORGIA STATE REP. A.A. FOWLER JR., THE FOUNDATION'S CHIEF ORGANIZER. "IN EVERY CASE THEY (THE HOMES) ARE THE VERY FINEST IN WHITE RESIDENTIAL SECTIONS."

(THERE WAS A RUMOR IN CHICAGO THAT SEGREGATIONISTS HAD PURCHASED A HOME NEXT DOOR TO THE RESIDENCE OF SEN. PAUL DOUGLAS (D-ILL.), A SUPPORTER OF INTEGRATION. BUT AN AIDE SAID DOUGLAS OWNS AN APARTMENT, NOT A HOUSE, AND THAT THE REPORT COULD NOT BE TRUE.)

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UP97
(RESETTLEMENT)
ATLANTA--THE AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION HOPES TO PUT A DENT IN THE SOUTH'S OPPOSITION TO THE NEXT CIVIL RIGHTS DEBATE IN CONGRESS, THE GROUP'S CHIEF SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.
STATE REP. A. A. FOWLER JR. SAID THE FOUNDATION'S STRATEGY WILL BE TO "RESETTLE" NEGRO FAMILIES FROM GEORGIA IN NEIGHBORHOODS "BACK HERE WHERE IT WILL DO THE MOST GOOD," INSTEAD OF MAINLY IN WASHINGTON.
THE FOUNDATION PLANS TO RELOCATE AT LEAST 50 NEGRO FAMILIES IN EXCLUSIVE NEIGHBORHOODS OF "WELL-MEANING AND WELL-GROUNDED" NON-SOUTH INTEGRATIONISTS WHO MAY CONGRESSIONAL VOTES, FOWLER SAID.
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'Uplifting the Negro'--and 'Integrating' the Integrationists

(An Editorial)

Now that's a fine, charitable and statesman-like move which has been reported in Georgia to help "resettle" Negroes who wish to live in better surroundings.

It should accomplish two things:

1. It should provide palatial homes at little or no cost to some of the more needy type of southern Negroes "with 10 or 15 children". And - - - -

2. It should, at the same time, "integrate" some of the northern people who have been enthusiastic about other people "integrating" but have lagged lamentably on any move in that direction themselves.

It has even been said—and not denied—that many of the most enthusiastic "integrationists" have been sending their own children to private schools where there are no Negroes or getting them transferred from public schools which have a lot of Negroes to institutions which have few or none.

The Georgia plan would help fix that.

Just in case you missed the news story telling about it, here's what the story said, as quoted from the Augusta, Ga., Chronicle - - -

The group would raise funds in the South, watch the market and buy expensive homes in the neighborhoods where enthusiastic "integrationists" live (especially if they, themselves, are lagging on integration), find low-income Negro families in the South with 10 or 15 kids, lease the northern homes to them for practically nothing, and move them in without cost.

Thus, as we said, the living standards of the Negroes might be elevated and the "integration" of the integrationists would be helping.

If the moved-in families should need more help after they are established, we see no reason why they should not be eligible for the relief rolls in New York, Washington, etc., to aid them over the hump. Or maybe the "integrationists" would feel like a fine, neighborly gesture along that line—as countless white people in the South always have.

We gathered that the Georgia foundation would depend on public contributions for its funds and would need a good deal of money, since the cost of the homes was estimated at maybe $75,000 each.

If the foundation really gets going, we don't think it will have any trouble getting the money.

Also, it should definitely have no trouble qualifying under the revenue bureau regulations as a charitable organization—in which case, contributions to it would be tax exempt.

Many persons, we think, will watch with interest to see if the proponents of the plan go ahead with it—and how they get along.

We know many in the South will be interested—we wouldn't be surprised if top-flight "integrationists" in the North might be watching with more interest even than the southerners.

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(NIXON'S HOUSE)

A SPOKESMAN FOR VICE PRESIDENT NIXON DENIED TODAY A GEORGIA LEGISLATOR'S CHARGE THAT NIXON IS A PARTY TO A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT BARRING NEGROES AND JEWS FROM BUYING OR RENTING PROPERTY IN THE AREA OF NIXON'S HOME.

THE CHARGE WAS MADE IN ATLANTA BY GEORGIA STATE REP. A. A. FOWLER JR., CHIEF ORGANIZER OF THE "AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION." THE "FOUNDATION" IS A WHITE ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO "RELOCATE" LOW INCOME SOUTHERN NEGRO FAMILIES IN SWANK WHITE NEIGHBORHOODS OF NORTHERN CITIES.

FOWLER SAID HIS GROUP HAD WANTED TO BUY A HOUSE IN NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD, THE FASHIONABLE WESLEY HEIGHTS SECTION OF WASHINGTON, TO GIVE NIXON A CHANCE TO "PRACTICE WHAT HE PREACHES" ABOUT RACIAL INTEGRATION.

BUT FOWLER TOLD REPORTERS THAT NIXON'S SECTION IS COVERED BY A "BINDING COVENANT" WHICH FORBIDS "SALE, RESALE OR USE OF THE PROPERTY BY JEWS AND NEGROES." HE SAID IT WAS "A SHAME THAT THE VICE PRESIDENT WOULD BE A PARTY" TO SUCH A COVENANT.

CHARLES K. MCWHORTER, THE VICE PRESIDENT'S LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT, REPLIED TO THE CHARGE IN A STATEMENT HANDED TO CAPITOL REPORTERS TODAY. IT SAID:

"THERE IS NO RESTRICTIVE COVENANT IN THE DEED OR IN THE CONTRACT OF PURCHASE SIGNED BY VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD NIXON WHEN HE ACQUIRED HIS PRESENT RESIDENCE EARLIER THIS YEAR."

NIXON BOUGHT HIS HOME, A $75,000 FRENCH PROVINCIAL HOUSE AT 4308 FOREST LANE, N.W., FROM THE ESTATE OF THE LATE ATTORNEY GENERAL HOMER S. CUMMINGS LAST FEB. 13.

MCWHORTER ACKNOWLEDGED THAT "CERTAIN RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS PURPORT TO RUN WITH THE LAND IN THE AREA OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S HOME, AS IN MANY OTHER AREAS OF WASHINGTON."

BUT HE SAID THAT "THE EFFECT OF THESE COVENANTS (WHICH WERE NOT SIGNED BY THE VICE PRESIDENT) WAS NULLIFIED SINCE THEIR ENFORCEMENT WAS OUTLAWED BY DECISIONS OF THE U.S. SUPREME COURT IN MAY, 1948."

THE HIGH COURT HELD THEN THAT RESTRICTIVE REAL ESTATE COVENANTS CANNOT BE ENFORCED IN COURT. IT SUBSEQUENTLY RULED, IN 1953, THAT JEWS MAY NOT BE SUED FOR DAMAGES.

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(HOUSE)

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ATLANTA--THE HEAD OF AN ORGANIZATION FOR RESETTLEMENT OF SOUTHERN NEGROES SAID TODAY HIS GROUP WOULD BE UNABLE TO BUY A HOUSE IN VICE PRESIDENT NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD BECAUSE OF A BAN AGAINST RESALE OF PROPERTY THERE TO NEGROES AND JEWS.

STATE REP. A. A. FOWLER, JR., SAID THE AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION HE HEADS DOES NOT HAVE AN OPTION ON PROPERTY NEAR THE NIXON HOME IN WASHINGTON.

"OF COURSE, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN CONSIDERING PROPERTY IN MR. NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD FOR RELOCATING NEGROES AND I AM SURE MR. NIXON WOULD NOT OBJECT FOR HIS STAND AGAINST SEGREGATION IS TOO WELL KNOWN," FOWLER SAID.

"DUE TO A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT WHICH MR. NIXON AND HIS NEIGHBOR, I UNDERSTAND, HAVE ON THEIR PROPERTY PROHIBITING THE SALE, RESALE AND USE OF THE PROPERTY BY NEGROES AND JEWS, I AM SURE THAT THEY WOULD NOT SELL TO OUR FOUNDATION."

FOWLER SAID "IT IS A SHAME THAT THE VICE PRESIDENT WOULD BE A PARTY TO A BINDING COVENANT AGAINST NEGROES AND JEWS."

FOWLER SAID THE FOUNDATION IS MAKING "SEVERAL TRANSACTIONS" FOR PROPERTY IN FINE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE NORTH.

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UP94
(HOUSE)

AN ANONYMOUS PURCHASER, WHO CONDUCTED THE NEGOTIATIONS THROUGH A WELL-KNOWN WASHINGTON ATTORNEY, HAS SIGNED A FIRM CONTRACT TO BUY A $57,500 HOUSE ON THE SAME STREET AS VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON'S HOME, THE UNITED PRESS LEARNED.

THE CAPITAL WAS ABUZZ WITH SPECULATION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE PURCHASER COULD BE A GEORGIA "RESETTLEMENT" GROUP WHICH PLANS TO TURN THE HOUSE OVER TO A LOW-INCOME SOUTHERN NEGRO FAMILY WITH A LOT OF CHILDREN.

THE ATTORNEY WHO HANDLED THE TRANSACTION "INSISTS" THAT HIS CLIENT HAS "NO CONNECTION WHATEVER" WITH THE GEORGIA ORGANIZATION, ACCORDING TO THE REALTY FIRM WHICH REPRESENTED THE SELLER.

BUT AN ATMOSPHERE OF MYSTERY SURROUNDED THE TRANSACTION BECAUSE OF THE ATTORNEY'S REFUSAL TO IDENTIFY THE PURCHASER. THE LAWYER SAID HE COULD NOT DO SO UNTIL HE OBTAINED HIS CLIENT'S PERMISSION, AND THAT HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO CONTACT THE CLIENT THIS MORNING.

THE HOUSE, A SIX-BEDROOM ENGLISH TUDOR HOME AT 4341 FOREST LANE, N.W., CAME UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT BECAUSE OF AN ANNOUNCEMENT IN GEORGIA BY THE "AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION." THE "FOUNDATION" IS A WHITE GROUP WHICH HOPES TO LOCATE SUTHERN NEGROES IN SWANK NORTHERN NEIGHBORHOODS.

GEORGIA STATE REP. A.A. FOWLER JR., CHIEF ORGANIZER OF THE FOUNDATION, SAID THAT IT HAD LINED UP A PURCHASE THAT "WILL GIVE ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S LEADING EXPONENTS OF INTEGRATION A CHANCE TO PRACTICE SOME OF THE MIXING HE HAS BEEN PREACHING TO THE PEOPLE OF GEORGIA AND THE SOUTH."

THE AUGUSTA, GA., HERALD, SAID THE GROUP HAD AN OPTION ON A HOUSE IN NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD.

INVESTIGATION BY REPORTERS DISCLOSED TWO HOUSES FOR SALE ON THE DEAD-END STREET IN THE FASHIONABLE WESLEY HEIGHT'S NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE NIXON LIVES. ONE BELONGS TO ATTORNEY GENERAL HERBERT BROWNELL JR., WHO IS RETIRING FROM THE CABINET NOV. 8. OFFICIALS SAID THIS HOUSE HAS NOT YET BEEN SOLD.

THE OTHER IS THE $57,500 ENGLISH TUDOR HOME, OWNED BY A WIDOW, MRS. MARY H. RENSHAW. IT IS A FEW DOORS FROM NIXON'S $75,000 FRENCH PROVINCIAL HOME AT 4308 FOREST LANE.

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A SPOKESMAN FOR SHANNON & LUCHS, ONE OF WASHINGTON'S LEADING REALTY FIRMS, CONFIRMED THAT A FIRM SALES CONTRACT -- NO MERE OPTION -- HAS BEEN SIGNED ON THE RENSHAW HOUSE. HE SAID THE ATTORNEY WHO REPRESENTED THE PURCHASER WAS "WELL KNOWN" TO THE FIRM AND "OF EXCELLENT REPUTATION."

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IT IS "NOT AT ALL UNUSUAL" IN WASHINGTON FOR A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL, DIPLOMAT OR OTHER PROMINENT PERSON TO BUY A HOME THROUGH AN ATTORNEY.

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ADD 1 HOUSE (UP94)

THE REALTY FIRM WAS PRESSING THE ATTORNEY TODAY TO IDENTIFY HIS CLIENT AND CLEAR UP THE MYSTERY. THE ATTORNEY WAS REPORTED TO HAVE GIVEN ASSURANCES HE WOULD DO SO AS SOON AS HE COULD OBTAIN THE CLIENT'S GO-AHEAD.

W.C. & A.N. MILLER, WASHINGTON BUILDERS WHO DEVELOPED WESLEY HEIGHTS ABOUT 30 YEARS AGO, SAID THE HOMES IN THE FOREST LANE SECTION WERE COVERED BY RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, FORBIDDING SALE TO ANY NON-WHITE.

BUT THE SUPREME COURT RULED SEVERAL YEARS AGO THAT SUCH COVENANTS HAVE NO LEGAL STATUS, AND ARE UNENFORCEABLE IN COURTS.

REALTORS HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY USED OTHER ARRANGEMENTS, SUCH AS REQUIREMENT THAT PROSPECTIVE PURCHASES BE APPROVED BY A COMMITTEE, TO KEEP NEGRO FAMILIES OUT OF EXCLUSIVE NEIGHBORHOODS. BUT REAL ESTATE SOURCES SAID NO SUCH ARRANGEMENT IS IN EFFECT IN THE NIXON NEIGHBORHOOD.

IT WAS LEARNED THAT THE SALE CONTRACT ON THE RENSHAW HOME IS SUBJECT TO THE PURCHASER'S INSPECTION AND APPROVAL OF THE BUILDING, BUT THAT IT CONTAINS NO ESCAPE CLAUSE BY WHICH THE SELLER COULD WITHDRAW FROM THE DEAL.

THE RENSHAW HOUSE HAS THREE BATHS, A LIBRARY, POWDER ROOM, MAID'S ROOM WITH BATH, AND A TWO-CAR GARAGE.

A REPORTER WHO WENT TO THE HOUSE THIS MORNING FOUND MOVERS TAKING FURNITURE OUT TO A VAN. BUT HE WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE MRS. RENSHAW.

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ADD 1 NIXON'S HOUSE

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PROPERTY RECORDS SHOW THAT A COVENANT WAS SIGNED ON NOV. 14, 1931, BY THEN-OWNERS OF PROPERTY IN WESLEY HEIGHTS. INCLUDED WAS MARION WEBSTER DAWLEY, WHO AT THE TIME OWNED THE PROPERTY AT 4308 FOREST LANE, WHERE NIXON NOW LIVES.

THIS COVENANT WAS SUPPOSED TO "RUN WITH THE LAND" FOR 50 YEARS AND FORBADE PRESENT OR FUTURE OWNERS TO SELL, LEASE OR RENT TO "NEGROES OR ANY PERSON OR PERSONS OF THE NEGRO RACE OR BLOOD OR EXTRACTION" OR TO "ANY PERSON OF THE SEMITIC RACE, BLOOD OR ORGIN" INCLUDING "JEWS, HEBREWS, ARMENIANS, PERSIANS AND SYRIANS." THE COVENANT COULD BE CANCELLED BY VOTE OF 75 PER CENT OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS.

DAWLEY SOLD HIS PROPERTY TO CUMMINGS MAY 20, 1941, AND THE DEED SAID THE SALE WAS "SUBJECT TO COVENANTS OF RECORD."

THE DEED FROM THE CUMMINGS ESTATE TO NIXON ALSO BEARS THE PROVISON, "SUBJECT TO COVENANTS OF RECORD." BUT THE DEED ITSELF DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY RACIAL RESTRICTIONS. AND THE OLD "COVENANT OF RECORD" WAS NULLIFIED BY THE SUPREME COURT'S DECISIONS.

THE TEXT OF THE STATEMENT FROM NIXON'S OFFICE.

"THERE IS NO RESTRICITIVE COVENANT IN THE DEED OR IN THE CONTRACT OF PURCHASE SIGNED BY VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD NIXON WHEN HE ACQUIRED HIS PRESENT RESIDENCE EARLIER THIS YEAR. THIS FACT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY IN WASHINGTON BY CHARLES K. MCWHORTER, THE VICE PRESIDENT'S LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT.

"MCWHORTER STATED THAT CERTAIN RESTRECTIVE COVENANTS PURPORT TO RUN WITH THE LAND IN THE AREA OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S HOME, AS IN MANY OTHER AREAS IN WASHINGTON, BUT THAT THE EFFECT OF THESE COVENANTS (WHICH WERE NOT SIGNED BY THE VICE PRESIDENT) WAS NULLIFIED SINCE THEIR ENFORCEMENT WAS OUTLAWED BY DECISIONS OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT IN MAY 1948."

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UP21
(NIXON'S HOUSE)
A "FOR SALE" SIGN NAILED TO A TREE IN FRONT OF A HOUSE ON VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON'S STREET HAS THE CAPITAL ABUZZ TODAY.
JUST ABOUT EVERYONE IS WONDERING IF THIS IS THE PLACE A GEORGIA "RESETTLEMENT" GROUP IS REPORTED TO HAVE SINGLED OUT TO MOVE IN A NEGRO FAMILY WITH "10 OR 15 KIDS."
REAL ESTATE SOURCES SAID A WIDOW, MRS. MARY H. RENSHAW, HAS ACCEPTED AN OPTION ON THE IMPRESSIVE ENGLISH TUDOR HOME. WHO TOOK THE OPTION TO BUY IT WAS NOT DISCLOSED. BUT SHE WAS DESCRIBED AS "SICK" OVER THE MATTER.
THE IMPRESSIVE, SIX-BEDROOM, THREE-BATH, STUCCO RENSHAW HOUSE IS LOCATED AT 4341 FOREST LANE, N.W., IN THE WESLEY HEIGHTS SECTION. NIXON'S $75,000 STYLISH FRENCH PROVINCIAL HOUSE, WHICH HE BOUGHT EARLY THIS YEAR, IS A FEW DOORS AWAY AT 4308 ON THE DEAD-END STREET.
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UP141
(RESETTLEMENT)
ATLANTA -- THE AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION WAS CRITICIZED IN ITS OWN BACK YARD TODAY AS AN AGENCY THAT WILL "AROUSE ANTAGONISMS" AMONG THE WHITE SOUTH'S WHITE FRIENDS IN OTHER SECTIONS OF THE NATION.
HUGH G. GRANT, HIMSELF AN OUTSPOKEN SEGREGATIONIST, SAID HE WAS ALARMED OVER THE FOUNDATION, ORGANIZED TO RESETTLE NEGROES IN EXCLUSIVE WHITE NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE NON-SOUTH.
GRANT REFERRED IN PARTICULAR TO A COUNTER MOVEMENT, THE NEW YORK-ORGANIZED NEIGHBORHOOD EXCHANGE, ADJUSTMENT AND RESETTLEMENT, INC. ITS SPONSORS SAID IT WOULD OFFER HOUSING IN NORTHERN NEGRO AREAS TO POOR SOUTHERN WHITES.
"IT IS DIFFICULT FOR ME TO VISUALIZE SOUTHERN SEGREGATIONISTS PARTICIPATING IN THE CAMPAIGN TO BREAK DOWN COVENANTS DESIGNED TO PREVENT RACIAL MIXING IN WHITE NEIGHBORHOODS IN WASHINGTON OR ELSEWHERE," GRANT SAID IN A LETTER TO ALPHA A. FOWLER, A CO-FOUNDER OF AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION.
"IN MY OPINION, A REAL BOOMERANG IS IN THE MAKING."
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ADD 2 HOUSE (UP95)

LATER, MRS. RENSHAW RETURNED A UNITED PRESS REPORTER'S TELEPHONE CALL. SHE SAID SHE HAS "NO REASON TO DOUBT" THAT THE SALE IS "ON THE UP AND UP." SHE SAID THE FIRM, SHANNON & LUCHS, RECOMMENDED SHE SIGN THE CONTRACT AND ASSURED HER "EVERYTHING WAS ALL RIGHT."

A FRIEND OF MRS. RENSHAW'S DESCRIBED HER AS A "GENTLE SOUTHERN WOMAN AND A FINE LADY."

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(NIXON'S HOUSE)

DEVELOPERS OF THE EXCLUSIVE SECTION WHERE VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON LIVES SAID TODAY THEY KNEW OF NO HOUSE IN THE AREA OPTIONED FOR SALE TO NEGROES.

A SPOKESMAN SAID THE ONLY HOUSE FOR SALE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS THE HOME OF RETIRING ATTORNEY GENERAL HERBERT BROWNELL JR. AND SO FAR NO ONE WANTS TO BUY IT.

THE REAL ESTATE DEALERS--W.C.&A.N. MILLER CO.--WERE PLAGUED WITH TELEPHONE CALLS FOLLOWING PRESS REPORTS FROM ATLANTA THAT A "RESETTLEMENT" AGENCY HAD OBTAINED AN OPTION ON A HOUSE IN NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD FOR USE BY A NEGRO FAMILY WITH "10 OR 15 KIDS."

NIXON WAS CONFINED TO HIS HOME BY A VIRUS INFECTION. HIS OFFICE SAID IT HAD NO COMMENT ON THE REPORT.

THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ALSO DECLINED TO COMMENT ON THE STATUS OF BROWNELL'S PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS, SAYING IT WAS A PRIVATE MATTER. A SPOKESMAN SAID, HOWEVER, THE HOUSE WAS NOT YET SOLD.

THE MILLER FIRM DEVELOPED THE RELATIVELY EXCLUSIVE WESLEY HEIGHTS AND SPRING VALLEY SECTIONS OF THE CITY. THE NIXON AND BROWNELL HOMES ARE IN THE SAME BLOCK.

IN ATLANTA, THE "AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION" WAS REPORTED TO HAVE OBTAINED AN OPTION ON A $75,000 HOUSE IN THE AREA--THE GOING PRICE IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD--FOR A NEGRO FAMILY.

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(NIXON'S HOUSE)

AUGUSTA, GA.--A REPORT WAS PUBLISHED TODAY THAT A GEORGIA SEGREGATION GROUP HAS OPTIONED THE HOUSE NEAR VICE PRESIDENT NIXON'S RESIDENCE FOR OCCUPANCY BY GEORGIA NEGROES.

THE REPORT, PUBLISHED BY THE AUGUSTA, GA., HERALD, QUOTED AN UNIDENTIFIED SOURCE CLOSE TO STATE REP. A.A. FOWLER, JR., HEAD OF THE AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION, AN AGENCY THAT HAS AS ITS AVOWED PURPOSE FINDING OUT-OF-THE SOUTH HOMES FOR NEGROES WHO WANT TO MOVE.

THE "SOURCES" SAID NIXON'S HOME WAS IN A NEIGHBORHOOD OF $75,000 HOMES THAT HAD BEEN OPTIONED FOR NEGRO OCCUPANCY.

FOWLER, A FORMER ADJUTANT GENERAL OF GEORGIA, TOLD THE GEORGIA PEACE OFFICERS CONVENTION LAST NIGHT THAT A NEGRO FAMILY WITH "10 OR 15 KIDS" WOULD BE MOVED INTO AN EXCLUSIVE ALL-WHITE NORTHERN NEIGHBORHOOD WITHIN 160 DAYS.

MEMBERS OF THE RESETTLEMENT GROUP REFUSED TO CONFIRM THE HERALD REPORT.

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(NIXON'S HOUSE)

ATLANTA -- A GEORGIA SEGREGATION GROUP WAS REPORTED TODAY TO HAVE OPTIONED A HOME NEAR VICE PRESIDENT NIXON'S WASHINGTON RESIDENCE TO BE OCCUPIED BY GEORGIA NEGROES WITHIN THE NEXT 60 DAYS.

STATE REP. A.A. FOWLER JR., HEAD OF THE AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION, WOULD NEITHER CONFIRM NOR DENY THE REPORT PUBLISHED IN THE AUGUSTA, GA. HERALD. BUT HE SAID HIS GROUP HAS TAKEN AN OPTION ON A HOUSE IN AN OUTSTANDING WHITE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD IN A "LARGE AMERICAN CITY."

"THIS IS ONE OF SEVERAL TRANSACTIONS," FOWLER SAID, IN WHICH HOMES IN THE "VERY FINEST WHITE RESIDENTIAL SECTIONS" WILL BE ACQUIRED AND TURNED OVER TO SOUTHERN NEGROES AT "VERY NOMINAL" RENTS.

"IT WILL PROBABLY GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS THE LOWEST HOUSING YET DEVISED," THE GEORGIA LEGISLATOR SAID.

FOWLER'S GROUP HAS AS ITS AVOWED PURPOSE THE OPTIONING OF HOMES NEAR LEADING NORTHERN INTEGRATIONISTS FOR OCCUPANCY BY NEGRO FAMILIES.

THE AUGUSTA HERALD'S REPORT QUOTED AN UNIDENTIFIED SOURCE CLOSE TO FOWLER AS SAYING ONE OF THE HOMES UNDER OPTION TO THE GEORGIA ORGANIZATION IS IN NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD IN WASHINGTON.

FOWLER SAID HE GAVE OUT NO INFORMATION ABOUT THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF ANY HOUSE UNDER OPTION OR UNDER CONSIDERATION. BUT HE SAID ONE HAS BEEN ACQUIRED IN A LARGE CITY.

"WE PUT DOWN GOOD HARD CASH TO BIND THE OPTION FROM CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR FOUNDATION," HE SAID.

HE SAID HIS GROUP HAS SEVERAL NEGRO FAMILIES "UNDER CONSIDERATION" OUT OF 50 APPLICATIONS FOR THE PROPOSED MOVE INTO NORTHERN WHITE RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

"IT IS OUR AIM TO HAVE THIS PROJECT COMPLETED WITHIN THE NEXT 60 DAYS," FOWLER SAID.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237) DATE: 11/22/57

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
IS - X

Re Bureau letter 10/9/57 and mylet 10/24/57.

As stated in ref let 10/24/57, the only Citizens Councils type of organization now active in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., Aka.; IS - X, Bufile 105-37158, Atlanta file 105-309.

[redacted] has been asked by a member of the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., to become a member of that organization. This informant has agreed to file his application and will be reimbursed for the initiation fee and other incidential expenses on the same basis as authorized by the Bureau in connection with this informant's coverage of Klan activities. b7D

It is believed that through this informant and by following this group through the newspapers and other public sources, the information desired by the Bureau can be obtained.

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Resettlement Plan Draws Danger Note

AUGUSTA, Ga., Nov. 4 (AP)—A Georgia plan to resettle Negro families in upper class all-white communities in the North and West drew a dissent today from one of the state's leading segregationists.

The avowed purpose of the privately-sponsored program is to drive home to other regions the Southern view on the segregation-integration issue and related problems. But Hugh G. Grant, an official of the pro-segregation States Rights Council of Georgia, saw serious danger of a boomerang.

In a letter to Rep. A. A. Fowler, founder of the American Resettlement Foundation Inc., a private subscription agency, Grant declared:

"I am alarmed. . . . In my judgment, a real big boomerang is in the making. . . . Perhaps the most dangerous result . . . would be the antagonisms aroused in a host of our white friedns in the North and West, who, according to reports, are just as much opposed to racial integration as we are and could help us win this battle which is not sectional but actually national in scope."

Fowler, a member of the legislature from Douglas county, said at his office in nearby Atlanta that he would like to study Grant's letter before commenting on it.

Grant noted that Fowler had said the foundation would be interested in an option on a home in the fashionable Washington residential community of Vice President Nixon but doubted if one could be obtained because of racial restrictions.

Grant said it seemed strange to him that Southern segregationists would seek "to break down covenants designed to prevent racial mixing in white neighborhoods here or anywhere else in the United States."

"If this plan is followed through," he declared, "we won't have a leg to stand on in order to maintain segregation in our own Southern communities."

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SOMEBODY HAS CONTRACTED TO BUY A $57,500 HOUSE JUST DOWN THE STREET FROM VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON'S HOME HERE. BUT THAT SOMEBODY APPARENTLY IS NOT THE GEORGIA "RESETTLEMENT" GROUP WHICH PUBLICIZED THE IDEA THAT IT WOULD LIKE TO GIVE NIXON SOME NEGRO NEIGHBORS.

THE FACTS IN THE "GREAT HOUSE MYSTERY" THAT SET WASHINGTON ABUZZ WITH SPECULATION WERE COMING OUT SLOWLY TODAY. THEY POINTED TO A STILL-UNIDENTIFIED ARMED FORCES GENERAL AND HIS FAMILY AS THE PROSPECTIVE OCCUPANTS OF THE HOUSE THAT'S BEING SOLD IN NIXON'S BLOCK.

RUMORS THAT A NEGRO FAMILY WOULD OCCUPY THE HOUSE BEGAN AFTER OFFICIALS OF THE "AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION" ANNOUNCED IN ATLANTA, GA., THAT THEY HAD LINED UP A REAL ESTATE PURCHASE WHICH WOULD GIVE "ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S LEADING EXPONENTS OF INTEGRATION A CHANCE TO PRACTICE SOME OF THE MIXING HE HAS BEEN PREACHING TO THE PEOPLE OF GEORGIA AND THE SOUTH."

THE AUGUSTA, GA., HERALD REPORTED THAT THE "FOUNDATION", ORGANIZED BY GEORGIA WHITE MEN, HAD AN OPTION ON A HOUSE IN NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD, THE FASHIONABLE WESLEY HEIGHTS SECTION OF WASHINGTON.

REPORTERS FOUND A "FOR SALE" SIGN ON AN ENGLISH TUDOR HOME AT 4341 FOREST LANE N.W., A FEW DOORS FROM NIXON'S $75,000 FRENCH PROVINCIAL HOUSEAT 4308 FOREST LANE. A SPOKESMAN FOR SHANNON & LUCHS, A LEADING WASHINGTON REALTY FIRM, SAID A $57,500 CONTRACT HAD BEEN SIGNED FOR SALE OF THE HOME TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PARTY WHO WAS REPRESENTED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS BY A LOCAL ATTORNEY.

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TURNER L. SMITH, WASHINGTON LAWYER WHO FORMERLY WAS A MEMBER OF THE GEORGIA LEGISLATURE, CONFIRMED TO THE UNITED PRESS THAT HE WAS THE ATTORNEY.

HE SAID HIS CLIENT IS "A GENERAL IN THE ARMED FORCES WHO IS BEING TRANSFERRED HERE, AND WHO WANTS A HOME FOR HIS FAMILY TO LIVE IN."

SMITH SAID HE HAS "NO CONNECTION WHATEVER" WITH THE GEORGIA "RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION" AND THAT HE REPRESENTS NO OTHER PROSPECTIVE HOME-BUYER EXCEPT THE GENERAL.

HE SAID IT WOULD BE A BREACH OF LEGAL ETHICS FOR HIM TO GIVE OUT HIS CLIENT'S NAME WITHOUT PERMISSION, AND HE HAS BEEN UNABLE TO CONTACT THE GENERAL FOR PERMISSION TO DISCLOSE HIS NAME.

IN ATLANTA, STATE REP. A.A. FOWLER JR., CHIEF ORGANIZER OF THE "RESETTLEMENT FOUNDATION," HAD A DIFFERENT SLANT THAN PREVIOUSLY.

HE TOLD REPORTERS TODAY THE GROUP WOULD LIKE TO BUY A HOUSE IN NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD "FOR RELOCATION OF NEGROES" BUT IS NOT ABLE TO DO SO.

FOWLER SAID HE "UNDERSTOOD" THAT PROPERTY IN NIXON'S NEIGHBORHOOD IS COVERED BY A "BINDING COVENANT" WHICH PROHIBITS "THE SALE, RESALE OR USE OF THE PROPERTY BY JEWS AND NEGROES." HE SAID IT WAS "A SHAME THAT THE VICE PRESIDENT WOULD BE A PARTY" TO SUCH A COVENANT.

WASHINGTON REALTORS SAID FOWLER'S "UNDERSTANDING" WAS NOT CORRECT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR W. C. AND A. N. MILLER, DEVELOPERS OF THE WESLEY HEIGHTS AREA, SAID IT WAS ORIGINALLY COVERED BY A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT FORBIDDING SALE TO NON-WHITES. BUT THE SUPREME COURT RULED SEVERAL YEARS AGO THAT SUCH COVENANTS HAVE NO LEGAL FORCE.

AN OFFICIAL OF SHANNON & LUCHS SAID THE ORIGINAL COVENANT ON THE HOUSES IN FOREST LANE "EXPIRED SOME TIME AGO, ANYWAY."

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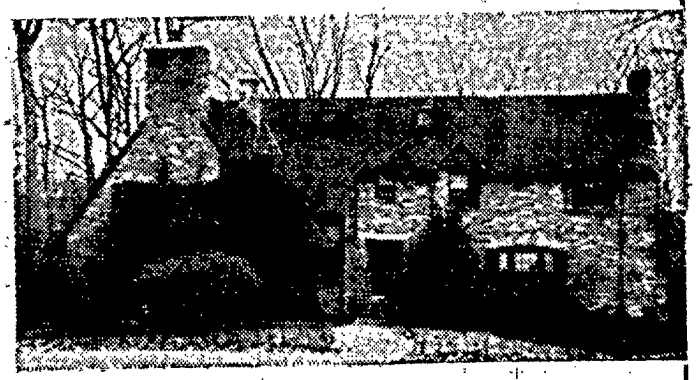
REACTION TO COLORED NEIGHBOR NONSENSE

Nixon 'Couldn't Care Less'

By WALTER LITTELL

Neighbors of Vice President Nixon in the fashionable Wesley Heights area were more concerned last night by "trick or treat" than a report from Augusta, Ga., that a segregation group has optioned a house near Mr. Nixon's residence for occupancy by a Georgia colored family.



This is Mr. Nixon's house at 4308 Forest Lane nw.

The story, published yesterday in the Augusta, Ga., Herald, said the move was made by the American Resettlement Foundation, a group with the avowed aim of moving southern colored people into white northern neighborhoods "to see just how these civil righters perform when the problem is next door."

PLAN

According to a source close to State Rep. A. A. Fowler Jr., head of the Foundation, the colored family would have "10 or 15 kids in it."

(United Press said it learned from real estate sources that a widow, Mrs. Mary H. Renshaw, owner of a six-bedroom, three-bath stucco house at 4341 Forest Lane nw, accepted the option and was "sick" over the matter. Her house is across the street and a few doors down from Mr. Nixon's.)

Wesley Heights' most famous resident was home sick with the flu but his secretary, Miss Rose Mary Woods, when told of the report, said: "I would say he couldn't care less.

"If someone is planning to embarrass the Vice President by this sort of thing, he has a big surprise coming."

One Republican source said if a colored family moved in, "Dick would be out front to greet them and maybe help unload the truck. He probably would have Pat bake them a cake. Then he could count on getting every Negro vote in the country."

'RUMOR'

Most of the neighbors interviewed by The News about their reaction to the story from Augusta either had no comment, adopted a "wait and see attitude" or seemed more preoccupied by Halloween. Many said it was a "baseless rumor."

Some were more vociferous.

"I'm from the North," one lady said. "And if a Negro family moves in, I'd say they'd make better neighbors than some of the people around here.

"I've been getting used to the idea so the news doesn't surprise me too much. As my husband says, if everybody just sits tight and doesn't panic, the land values won't drop.

"We have to adopt a Christian attitude towards something like this. I went to school with a Negro, so I can't see why my children can't."

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"I don't want them to move next door to me," one woman said. "I'm from Lincoln, Nebraska, where we don't object to Negroes. The women work in the country clubs and the men as porters on the Burlington railroad and as long as they stay on their side of town, and nobody pushes them down our face, mind them."

The woman thought it was "out of the question" that a colored family would move into Wesley Heights but said she "would laugh if one moved in next door to the Nixons."

Real estate firms which handle properties in the exclusive section said they "knew nothing about the option" and one agent dubbed the report as "nonsense."

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237) DATE: 1/17/58

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (105-321)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Re Miami letter 1/10/58, which forwards as enclosure memorandum containing information furnished by [redacted] on 12/26/57. b7D

The following is offered for clarification purposes:

There have been two political leaders in Georgia by the name of TALMADGE; EUGENE TALMADGE, former Governor, now deceased, and his son, HERMAN TALMADGE, former Governor, and now United States Senator from Georgia. MARVIN GRIFFIN is the present Governor of Georgia.

"The Atlanta Journal" and "The Atlanta Constitution" are the two large daily newspapers serving Atlanta; however, both papers are operated by the Atlanta Newspapers, Inc. and are owned by out of town, non-Southern Interest. Nothing has been received to date, including following of the editorial policy of these newspapers, which would indicate either Editor would be favorable toward Citizens Councils.

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INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Bufiles fail to reflect receipt of letter from your office in captioned matter which was due at the Bureau March 25, 1958.

Sulet immediately. In the future submit letters in time to meet Buded.

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STATES RIGHTS COUNCIL OF GEORGIA, INC.
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet 1/22/58 captioned as above and previous communications from your office captioned "Citizens Councils, Internal Security - X."

In relet 1/22/58 and in previous correspondence you have advised there is only one citizens council type organization active in the State of Georgia, namely, the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., and coverage would be afforded this organization through the use of

b7D [redacted]

Inasmuch as Negroes filed suit in Federal court 1/11/58 asking for an end to segregation in Atlanta's public schools, you are instructed to advise whether or not your coverage of this organization is considered to be adequate in light of instructions set forth in Bulet 1/13/58.

The Bureau desires to be assured that your coverage is such that the Bureau will be aware of any violent actions planned or taken by captioned organization or concerning violations of laws within the Bureau's jurisdiction in which this organization may be involved.

Sulet immediately.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 4/15/58

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (105-321)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 3/10/00 BY SP4-bja-sb #148486

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY- X

ReBulet 4/8/58, captioned as above, and mylet 3/29/58, captioned, "States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., IS - X."

There has been nothing received concerning the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., except that set forth in referenced letter since letter submitted by Atlanta, 2/13/58.

As the Bureau has previously been advised the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., is the only citizens-type organization presently operating in Georgia, and the Bureau now has two informants in the Atlanta organization.

It is anticipated that the next letter will be submitted to the Bureau by May 25, 1958. However, the Bureau will be immediately advised if information of value is received in the meantime.

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet dated May 3, 1958, in which you advised additional informant coverage will be obtained in the States Rights Council of Georgia, Incorporated, when it is deemed necessary to do so.

At the time such coverage is considered necessary submit recommendations concerning [redacted] and [redacted] b7D

In connection with your coverage of citizens councils you are referred to SAC Letter 58-29 in which the field was instructed that it must be in a position through informants and sources to be apprised if there is any indication of a violation of Federal law on the part of organizations such as citizens councils and to otherwise be aware of possible implications from an intelligence standpoint. These instructions should be taken into consideration in connection with your coverage in these groups.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Atlanta advised there are at the present time two Klan informants furnishing coverage of the only citizens council-type organization in Georgia, the States Rights Council of Ga., Inc., and that additional coverage is not deemed necessary at this time. Atlanta recommended three informants for use in the future if necessary.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 5/3/58

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (105-321)

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

ReBulet 4/15/58.

As the Bureau is aware, the only Citizens Council type organization operating within the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., IS - X, Bufile (105-37158), Atlanta file (105-309). This organization is primarily made up of the top political, business, and civic leaders of the State of Georgia and nothing has been received which would indicate this organization has any desire to recruit members who are also members of a Klan group.

Nothing has been received which would indicate that this organization has advocated violence, but it appears that the Atlanta Headquarters is maintained primarily for the purpose of distributing propaganda advocating the segregation of the races.

According to informants, E. L. EDWARDS, Imperial Wizard of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., does not favor the States Rights Council, Inc., and apparently has no desire for his members to join this group.

It appears that all activity of the States Rights Council is directed from their Atlanta Office, it being noted that according to recent articles in the Atlanta newspapers ROY V. HARRIS, President of the States Rights Council, has announced that W. A. LUFBURROW of Augusta, Georgia, has been named to replace Executive Director W. T. BODENHAMER, who has resigned and possibly will be a

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candidate for Governor of Georgia in the coming election. However, as the Bureau has also been advised and has approved, [redacted] and [redacted] have become members of the States Rights Council in order to serve the Bureau and much propaganda material has been received and furnished to the Bureau. It is believed that through these informants and following ~~business~~ sources adequate coverage of the States Rights Council can be had, however, this matter will receive my close attention and additional informant coverage will be obtained when deemed necessary. b7D

The following Klan informants are recommended as States Rights Council informants should their services be needed in the future:

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[redacted] is not being recommended due to the fact that almost every night is presently taken up with Klan activity for the Bureau.

[redacted], and it is not believed he should affiliate with the States Rights Council; and in addition there is no known States Rights Council activity in his province. b7D

[redacted] is not being recommended due to no known Citizens Council activity in the Marietta, Georgia area.

[redacted] who has furnished a great deal of information concerning the now defunct Association of Georgia Klans, probably would not be accepted by the States Rights Council of Georgia, and it is not believed he would be interested in joining.

[redacted] is not being recommended as it is not believed a woman could be of service in this connection. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] is not being recommended at this time due to the fact that there is no known Citizens Council activity in his area and there has been insufficient contact with him to determine reliability.

As stated above this matter will receive my close attention and the Bureau will be kept advised.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/23/58

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
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Remylets 4/15 and 5/3/58, captioned as above, and mylet 3/29/58, captioned "STATES RIGHTS COUNCIL OF GEORGIA, INC., IS-X".

No additional information has been received concerning the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., since relet of 5/3/58. It is anticipated that [redacted] will be asked to join the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., and [redacted] who is presently ill, will be asked to join this group at Albany, Ga. when he has sufficiently recovered his health. b7D

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1 - Mr. Boardman
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SAC, Atlanta

June 10, 1958

Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

ReBulet to Atlanta October 9, 1957, in which you were advised of the desires of the Attorney General that coverage be developed in citizens councils.

Recently an individual contacted under this program advised the press of the contact resulting in inquiries being received by the SAC and at the Seat of Government as to whether the Bureau is investigating integration in public schools. The individual contacted appeared to have been cooperative and had agreed to keep the contact confidential.

This incident clearly indicates the extremely delicate nature of this program, and the absolute necessity that every precaution be taken that contacts in the matter will not result in embarrassment to the Bureau.

Your attention is again directed to the provisions of reBulet October 9, 1957. It is mandatory that all contacts in this matter be handled in the circumspect manner outlined in reBulet, and that each SAC personally afford this matter the most careful supervision.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 6/23/58

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (105-321)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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ReBulet 5/13/58, and Atlanta letter 5/23/58, it being noted that my letter refers to States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., IS - X.

On 6/3/58, [redacted] made available a letter which he received, same being dated May 20, 1958, and signed ROY V. HARRIS, President, States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

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The original letter is being maintained in the 1A Exhibit of Atlanta file (105-309) and photostat copy of this letter is enclosed for the information of the Bureau.

The Bureau will be kept advised of all pertinent information received concerning the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

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Enclosure to Bureau (105-34237)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (105-321)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
IS - X

Photostat Letter from States Rights Council, Inc., dated 5/20/58.

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My dear Friend:

It is time to put new life in all of our local organizations of the States' Rights Council and to establish other locals in counties where there are none.

There seems to be a lull now in the efforts to force race mixing down our throats, but it is only the lull before the storm.

Do not be misled by Eisenhower's withdrawing the troops at Little Rock because he has ordered them withdrawn the day after school closes and threatens to call them back in September.

Do not be misled because law suits are not being pushed in Georgia to force race mixing. The NAACP has crawled back into its shell to re-organize, re-group, and re-plan and they and the radicals will hit us again.

We do not know where they will hit or when, but we do know that it is coming.

The main thing is for us to organize and be ready. Now is the time to get ready. It is too late to pray after the devil gets us.

Let me urge you to renew your membership, get actively behind your local organization and let's organize the State of Georgia so that we can meet any onslaught that may come.

With deep appreciation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Roy V. Harris

Roy V. Harris

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 7/25/58

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS,
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Remylet 6/23/58.

It is noted that the only Citizen Council type organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia.

No additional information has been received since relet concerning this organization; however, it will be noted that State Representative, WILLIAM T. BODENHAMER, former Executive Director of the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., is conducting a vigorous campaign for the Governorship of Georgia. The primary election will be held early during the fall of 1958.

The Bureau will be kept advised of all pertinent information received concerning the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 8/25/58

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Remylet 7/25/58.

It is noted that the only Citizens Council type organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia.

[redacted] advised on 7/24/58 he contacted Mr. [redacted] of the States Rights Council of Georgia Office in Atlanta on 7/24/58, and he referred him to [redacted] of Decatur, Ga. Informant stated he contacted [redacted] who advised that the organization did not have a unit at Fulton County at this time, but had some limited action in adjoining DeKalb County. [redacted] said they had held from four to five meetings during the past year, and approximately fifteen people were present to hear an address by Council President, ROY HARRIS, sometime ago. [redacted] said approximately thirty to thirty-five people appeared to hear an address by [redacted] of Georgia Governor, MARVIN GRIFFIN. According to informant, [redacted] stated that interest was "lagging", but they were still in operation.

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"The Atlanta Journal & Constitution", a daily newspaper published in Atlanta, Ga. in its edition of 8/17/58, carried the following article, date line 8/16/58, Montgomery, Ala.:

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"ROY V. HARRIS ELECTED
CITIZEN COUNCILS HEAD

"MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 16.

"ROY V. HARRIS of Augusta, Ga., Saturday was elected president of the prosegregation Citizens Councils of America at the organization's annual meeting.

"More than 100 delegates from 10 Souther_ states attended the two-day convention.

"HARRIS, a lawyer and former speaker of the Georgia House, succeeds state Sen. W. M. RAINACH of Homer, La., who has headed the Southwide group for the past two years.

"In an address to the meeting, HARRIS said there has been an increasing expression of public opinion at the ballot box in support of Citizens Council objectives.

"R. B. PATTERSON, executive secretary of the Mississippi Citizens Council, was re-elected secretary of the Southwide organization.

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"DELEGATES were present representing the newly organized Assn. of Citizens Councils of Virginia for the first time. MANNING GASCH of Falls Church, Va., heads this group.

"The convention program featured a special screening of television films prepared by the Citizens Council Forum, the TV and radio service of the council movement.

"Members of Congress appear on the present series of interview type TV program which are scheduled on television stations over the South.

* * *

"PROGRESS reports were received from each of the state delegations. They generally reflected increasing public support for the council program underwriting continued social separation of the races and sovereignty of the states.

"The delegates discussed ways of dealing with the pressures of 'left wing actionist groups', the use of federal troops to force mixing of the races at Little Rock and the need for a strong organization to make the councils' voice heard.

"A resolution was passed supporting the establishment of special legal defense funds such as the Freedom Fund for Clinton, Tenn., which was used to combat school integration suits at Clinton."

The Bureau will be kept advised of all pertinent information received concerning the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/23/58

FROM SAC, ATLANTA

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Remylet 8/25/58.

It is noted that the only Citizens Council type organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

The Atlanta Constitution, a daily newspaper published in Atlanta, Georgia, in its edition of August 25, 1958, carried the following article:

> "An official of the Georgia States Rights Council and the president of the Augusta chapter charged Sunday that the council has been a 'failure' because it functioned 'as a political rather than a grass roots organization.'
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> "They took issue with a recently published letter written by former council president R. Carter Pittman of Dalton that was highly critical of the role of William T. Bodenhamer as the organization's executive director.
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> "Pittman's letter about Bodenhamer, a candidate for governor, was published last week in The Constitution. In it, Pittman said that Bodenhamer was 'frightfully ineffective' as the privately backed, anti-integration council's director.
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> "Hugh G. Grant of Augusta, vice president of the council and a member of its executive committee, and John T. Hains, president of the Richmond County States Rights Council, put the blame for the council's failure on its control by politicians.

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"Grant and Hains emphasized that they did not issue their statement to support Bodenhamer's gubernatorial candidacy. They said they had not discussed the statement with him.

"However, they rapped Pittman for not bringing his 'misgivings' about Bodenhamer's activities as the council's executive director to the attention of the executive committee during the two years that Pittman was president.

"FOLLOWED POLICY

"Pittman resigned as president of the council last fall. Bodenhamer resigned as executive director in May in order to run for governor.

"In their joint statement, Grant and Hains said that Bodenhamer merely carried out policy laid down by 'the political leaders who now had control of the council.'

"'That policy held and it still holds that all that is necessary to preserve our constitutional rights is to line up the principal politicians of the state,' they declared. 'There has never been a real plan or sincere desire to enlist the rank and file of citizens who are not politicians.'

"They said that 'state Democratic machine politics was and is the controlling force, backstage, of the States Rights Council.'

"BIG DINNERS

"'The several big plate dinners in Atlanta, at which the money has been raised for the maintenance of the council organization, also was monopolized by the political leaders -- splendid place for political fence-building and build-ups,' the statement declared.

"They said the council's state headquarters had shown little interest and had given little help to local council chapters 'in their efforts to hold the line against the race mixers.'

"'These things as outlined above, in our judgment, constitute the real reason for the 'failure' of the States Rights Council of Georgia,' the statement said. 'The policy has been wrong. Certainly the political leaders have an important place in this fight for the maintenance of our way of life, but they should not be at the controls of the council.'

"Control of the council, Grant and Hains said, should be in the hands of 'rank-and-file' citizens who are not candidates for office and 'who have no axes to grind for themselves or for their favorites.'"

The Atlanta Constitution in its edition of September 22, 1958, under dateline Orlando, Florida, carried the following article, which includes statements from ROY HARRIS, President of the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.:

"The president of the Citizens Councils of America proposed the creation of a national racist organization to fight integration at a segregation rally here Saturday night.

"'If you are a real white man then it's time to stand up with us,' declared segregationist Roy Harris of Augusta, Ga., 'Otherwise, black your face and get on the other side.'

"600 ATTEND

"Harris, also publisher of a weekly newspaper, proposed a sweeping program for segregation before some 600 persons attending the rally.

"Other speakers included Robert B. Patterson, Indianola, Miss., who founded the first White Citizens Council in 1954, and Phil Campbell, Georgia commissioner of agriculture.

"VANDIVER ABSENT

"Absent from the rally were Georgia governor-nominee Ernest Vandiver, Louisiana State Senator W. A. Rainach, and Alabama Attorney General McDonald Gallion. All had been advertised as 'honored guests' in literature announcing the affair.

"Harris' program for segregation called for:

"A reduction of all political campaign issues in all state and local elections to a single question -- who's the strongest man for segregation.

"A 'straightening out' of clergymen who preach the brotherhood of man.

"Chasing Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution 'clean out of the State of Georgia.'

"MASS COMMUNICATION

"A fight against all agencies of mass communication: Newspapers, magazines, radio stations and television stations.

"Absolute defiance of all federal court rulings in favor of racial integration 'by every means and at every cost.'

"Harris labeled all persons who disagreed with his views as 'traitors and quislings.'"

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 10/24/58

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Remylet 9/23/58.

It is noted that the only Citizens Council type organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

[redacted] advised 9/26/58 that he telephonically contacted [redacted] of the office of the States Rights Council of Georgia, 822 William Oliver Building, on 9/25/58, and was invited to visit the office whenever he desired. Informant stated that he would have further contact with this office within the near future. b6 b7C b7D

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 12/23/58

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
RACIAL MATTERS

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Remylet 11/25/58.

It is noted that the only Citizens Council type organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

As the Bureau is aware, [redacted] a former Security Informant of the Atlanta Office, joined the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., As the Bureau is further aware, [redacted] is no longer considered an informant of this office due to [redacted] in the Atlanta bombing case presently being tried in the State Courts in Atlanta.

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An envelope postmarked 12/16/58 at Atlanta, return address, States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., William-Oliver Building, Atlanta, Ga., was received in the Atlanta Office addressed as follows:

> [redacted] Member,
> States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.,
> Care of The Federal Bureau of Investigation,
> 805 Peachtree Street, N. E.,
> Atlanta, Ga.".

[redacted] was out of town at the time, but upon his return on 12/20/58, this letter was delivered to him by SA [redacted] and [redacted] opened the letter in [redacted] presence. The envelope contained a letter to [redacted] written on the letterhead of the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., and signed W. A. LUFBURROW, Executive Director. This letter referred to the fact that [redacted] membership in the States Rights Council of Georgia expires in 12/58, and enclosed a membership renewal application card, and requested [redacted] to fill in card and remit five dollars for his 1959 dues. This letter carried the following notation:

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"PS: This office deals with its membership in person. On several occasions a person representing himself as [redacted] over the telephone has called here for information. Of course, it is not known whether it was you or a phony. In the future, in the event the party calling was you, we request that you come in person, and transact your business in that wise. This is a corporation functioning under the laws of Georgia for Constitutional purposes. Therefore, it has no secrets, as far as its membership or outsiders are concerned.". b6 b7C

Also, enclosed was a six page letter dated 11/12/58 addressed to Mr. RALPH McGILL, Editor, "The Atlanta Constitution", Atlanta, Ga., and signed [redacted] on the letterhead of the law offices of BLOCH, HALL, GROOVER, and HAWKINS, Macon, Ga. The first paragraph of this letter is as follows: b6 b7C

"In your column on the front page of the 'Constitution' of this morning is this statement:

'Any state legally may abolish its public schools if it wishes to pay that price'".

The letter primarily concerns integration of schools and the establishing of private schools in Georgia. It appears that [redacted] intended for his letter to be published in the "Atlanta Constitution" as it contains the following notation at the end written with pencil: b6 b7C

"This letter was not published in the 'Atlanta Constitution'".

It will be noted that the fact that [redacted] cooperated with the Bureau appeared in Atlanta papers during the recent trial in State Court of persons charged with the bombing of the Jewish Temple, this trial ending in a mistrial. It is, therefore, apparent that the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., learned of [redacted] activity through the newspapers, and thereafter addressed this letter to him care of the FBI. b6 b7C b7D

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 2/19/59

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
RACIAL MATTERS

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Remylet 12/23/58.

It is noted that the only Citizens Council type of organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

"The Atlanta Constitution", a daily newspaper published in Atlanta, Ga. in its edition of February 12, 1959, stated that 1,800 persons attended a dinner of the States Rights Council of Georgia on 2/11/59, the principal speakers being Georgia U. S. Senators HERMAN TALMADGE and RICHARD RUSSELL, and Georgia Governor EARNEST VANDIVER.

According to this newspaper article, during his speech VANDIVER said "We have no intention of turning Georgia Schools and colleges over to the federal government for any purpose, anywhere, at any time during the months and years that loom ahead. In defense and preservation of our ideals and institutions, we will exhaust every legal means and resource".

Council President ROY HARRIS stated "Our battle is in Atlanta" in speaking of segregation. He said the $50,000.00 cleared on the dinner would be used "to fight the battle of Atlanta".

The paper further stated that ROY HARRIS of Augusta, Ga. was unanimously re-elected president of the States Rights Council of Ga. Other officers listed were: Charles Bloch of Macon, first vice president; CARTER PITTMAN of Dalton, second vice president; DeNEAN STAFFORD of Tifton, third vice president, and GEORGE STEWART of Atlanta, Secretary and Treasurer. According to this article, Directors are

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The newspaper article said the council approved a motion to consider at its next meeting a plan to add one new director from each congressional district.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/27/59

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCIL
RACIAL MATTERS

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Remylet 2/19/59.

It is noted that the only Citizens Council type of organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

No information has come to the attention of this office which would indicate meetings have been held by this organization since referenced letter.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/22/59

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCIL
RACIAL MATTERS

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It is noted that the only Citizens Council type of organization existing in the Atlanta Division is the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc.

On the afternoon of 4/28/59, an individual who identified himself as [redacted] Atlanta, Ga., called at the Atlanta Office. [redacted] stated that he had heard that the States Rights Council of Georgia was holding a public meeting at the City Auditorium in East Point, Georgia, on 4/28/59. b6 b7C

On 4/29/59, [redacted] again voluntarily appeared at the Atlanta Office, and stated he had attended the above meeting, and that it was sponsored by the Metropolitan Association for Segregated Public Education. He said that approximately four hundred persons were present, and the principal speaker was ROY HARRIS of Augusta, Ga. (HARRIS is President of the States Rights Council of Georgia).

[redacted] stated further that HARRIS spoke on the desirability of maintaining segregated public schools, and predicted that the integration of schools would bring a wave of white and Negro marriages. Further, that HARRIS made vicious attacks against RALPH McGILL, Editor of "The Atlanta Constitution", and Atlanta Mayor WILLIAM B. HARTSFIELD. [redacted] said that HARRIS urged all present to write a letter to JACK TAUB, Publisher of "The Atlanta Journal and Constitution" asking that RALPH McGILL be fired. He said that he observed b6 b7C

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[redacted] in attendance.

The Bureau is aware that [redacted] was acquitted in State Court in Atlanta in January, 1959, on a charge of bombing The Atlanta Jewish Temple. [redacted] is the son of [redacted] attorney.

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It will be further noted that [redacted] aided [redacted] of this case. [redacted] is an official of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

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[redacted] advised on 5/6/59 that leaflets were distributed at a meeting of the U. S. Klans at Jonesboro, Ga. on 4/27/59. These leaflets stated that Honorable ROY HARRIS, former Georgia House Speaker, and widely known Georgia Publisher, would discuss integration at the East Point, Georgia City Auditorium at 8:00 p.m., 4/28/59. The leaflet was captioned as follows:

"EDUCATION? YES!

INTEGRATION? NO!"

The leaflet stated that the meeting was sponsored by the Metropolitan Association for Segregated Public Education.

It is believed that ROY HARRIS was merely asked to speak to this group, and that it was not a meeting of the States Rights Council of Georgia as such.

The above is furnished for informative purposes.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237) DATE: 6/23/59

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (105-309)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/22/59

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCIL
RACIAL MATTERS

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[redacted] advised on 6/20/59, that as far as he has been able to determine the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., is not holding meetings at this time. He stated, however, that this organization is mailing propaganda material from time to time and by envelope postmarked July 13, 1959, the States Rights Council of Georgia forwarded the following pamphlets to [redacted] of Decatur, Georgia:

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1. Speech by Honorable E. L. FORRESTER of Georgia in the House of Representatives, Monday, April 20, 1959. This copy of the Congressional Record is marked "Not printed at Government expense" and is stamped "Distributed by States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., William Oliver Building, Atlanta 3, Georgia."

2. Economic Council letter dated June 1, 1959, 1930 - 1959, Letter #456. This letter also stamped "Distributed by States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc."

3. The Ugly Truth About the NAACP, An Address by Attorney General EUGENE COOK of Georgia before the 55th Annual Convention of the Peace Officers Association of Georgia, held in Atlanta. This booklet has printed on the cover page "Distributed by the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc."

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TO : Director, FBI (105-34237) DATE: 8/25/59

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-37158) DATE: 10/21/59

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (105-309)

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
RACIAL MATTERS

Remylet 8/25/59.

No information has come to the attention of this office concerning activity on the part of the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., since relet.

As the Bureau is aware, the Klan group at Columbus, Georgia, formerly known as the Ku Klux Klan of Georgia, now operates under the name of Citizens Council of Georgia, Inc. Investigation of this case is handled under Atlanta File (105-968), Bureau File (105-74294), and reports are being submitted.

[redacted] the Suburban Sentinel, a weekly newspaper published in Decatur, Georgia, and who is a member of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., has been interested in a new group known as the American or Constitutional Party. Investigation is presently being conducted to obtain background information on [redacted] as well as investigation to determine the activity of the American or Constitutional Party. The Bureau will be kept advised.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: December 23, 1959.

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (105-309)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCIL
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No information has come tothe attention of this office concerning activity on the part of the State Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., since relet, as such. However, [redacted] advised on 12-17-59 that a public meeting was held in the Fine Arts Auditorium in Marietta, Georgia on the night of December 15, 1959. Informant said that the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., was not mentioned but that Roy V. Harris, President of the Organization was master of ceremonies and literature was available at this meeting bearing the name of the Council. The meeting pertained to segregation matters.

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[redacted] and [redacted] orally advised on March 25, 1960, that no activity has come to their attention concerning activity on the part of the States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc. during March, 1960. It will be noted that the most recent activity was set out in remyairtel captioned States Rights Council of Georgia, Inc., RM, Bufile 105-37158.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (105-321) (~~REC~~)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Bureau airtel 11/20/62.

1. COUNCILS

The only citizens council known to be active within the Atlanta Division is the Atlanta Citizens Council (Atlanta file 157-407). This group was organized in 5/62 and is affiliated with the Citizens Councils of America of Jackson, Miss. The Atlanta Citizens Council held a few meetings and then became inactive during the summer of 1962. It has only recently been reactivated. The approximate membership is 50.

2. LEADERS

The President of the Atlanta Citizens Council is JASPER K. CALLAWAY, who resides at [redacted], and who is employed as a salesman by Interchemical Corp, 3333 Empire Blvd., S.W. The vice president is Dr. H. G. STELLINGS, a physician and surgeon who resides at [redacted], and has an office at 3075 Peachtree Rd., N.E., Atlanta. The secretary is CARL B. SMITH, who resides at [redacted] PLACE, NW

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Place, N.W., Atlanta, and who is employed as a salesman for an unknown firm. One of the other officers, exact position unknown, is R. L. (SHORTY) DOYLE, who resides at [redacted], N.W., Atlanta, and who operates R. L. Doyle and Son Insurance Agency at 1421 Peachtree St., NE. DOYLE is a former County Commissioner of Fulton County and has been active in local politics for years. b6 b7C

None of the above officers have ever been the subject of a Bureau investigation as far as the Atlanta Office knows.

3. COVERAGE OF COUNCILS

Two Atlanta informants are members of the Atlanta Citizens Council. They are [redacted] and [redacted] In addition, the organization's activities are followed by the Security - Racial Squad of the Atlanta PD. This squad attends all public meetings, and in addition has one informant who is a member of the organization. All info obtained by [redacted]s made available to this office. b7D

4. POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE

From an analysis of the known members of the Atlanta Citizens Council and the known officers, it is believed that the potential for violence is small. The officers and the great majority of the members appear to be respectable members of the community. No klan or hate group members are officers of the organization, and although many klan and hate group members attend public meetings, there are very few klan or hate group members who are members of the Atlanta Citizens Council.